

Warren County Board of Supervisors

**BOARD MEETING
FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 18, 2022**



Please note that the following is a summarization of the Board Meeting; the meeting, in its entirety, can be viewed on the Warren County website: <https://warrencountyny.gov/mma>

The Board of Supervisors of the County of Warren convened at the Supervisors' Room in the Warren County Municipal Center, Lake George, New York; meeting called to order at 10:01 a.m.

Mr. Kevin B. Geraghty presiding.

Salute to the flag was led by Supervisor Conover.

Roll called, the following members present:

Supervisors Conover, Leggett, Diamond, McDevitt, Braymer, Bruno, Driscoll, Geraci, Hogan, Merlino, Strough, Wild, Magowan, Beaty, Thomas, Runyon and Geraghty-17 Absent - Supervisors Frasier, Dickinson and Seeber.

Motion was made by Supervisor Bruno, seconded by Supervisor Strough and carried by a unanimous vote of those present (*Supervisors Frasier, Dickinson and Seeber absent*), with Supervisor Hogan abstaining, to approve the minutes of the October 21, 2022 Board Meeting and the November 4, 2022 Special Board Meeting, subject to correction by the Clerk of the Board.

Chairman Geraghty apprised they would return to the Employee of the Month Award when the Superintendent of Public Works was in attendance.

Continuing with the Agenda review, Chair declared the Public Hearing open on Proposed Local Law No. 4 of 2022, Entitled "A Local Law Further Amending Local Law No. 1 of 2022 'A Local Law Fixing the Salaries of Certain County Officers and Employees of Warren County' to Include Interim Salary Increases", open at 10:03 a.m. and requested the Clerk of the Board read the Notice of Public Hearing aloud. Chair called for public comment, but there was no one wishing to speak.

Chairman Geraghty announced he would keep the Public Hearing Open.

Proceeding with the Agenda review, Chair declared the Public Hearing on Warren County Sewer District (Industrial Park) Assessment Roll open at 10:05 a.m. and requested the Clerk of the Board read aloud the Notice of Public Hearing. Chair called for public comment; there being no one wishing to speak, the Chair closed the public hearing at 10:05 a.m.

Continuing with the Agenda review, Chair declared the Public Hearing on 2023 Tentative Budget open at 10:07 a.m. and requested the Clerk of the Board read aloud the Notice of Public Hearing. Chair called for public comment.

Supervisor Dickinson entered the meeting at 10:09 a.m.

Supervisor Seeber entered the meeting at 10:12 a.m.

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Supervisors Magowan, Braymer, Bruno, Driscoll, Diamond, McDevitt, Seeber, Beaty, Leggett, Hogan, Conover, Wild, and Runyon voiced their opinions on the proposed 2023 County Budget, as well as Christine Norton, *Representing ADK Consulting and ADK Excursions*. During the public comments the Board was advised Section 361 of County Law indicated the deadline to adopt the 2023 proposed County Budget was December 20, 2022, and in the case it was not adopted, the tentative budget with such changes, alterations and revisions as shall have been made by resolution of the Board of Supervisor shall constitute the budget for the ensuing physical year and the appropriation resolution with such amendments may be necessary to make it conform to such budget shall be deemed to have been passed by the Board of Supervisors as of such date”.

There being no further comments on the 2023 Tentative Budget, as well as the Proposed Local Law No. 4 of 2022, Entitled “*A Local Law Further Amending Local Law No. 1 of 2022 ‘A Local Law Fixing the Salaries of Certain County Officers and Employees of Warren County’ to Include Interim Salary Increases*”, Chairman Geraghty closed their respective Public Hearings at 11:03 a.m.

Motion was made by Supervisor Magowan, seconded by Supervisor Braymer and failed to obtain the majority vote to table proposed Resolution No. 666, *Adopting Budget for Fiscal Year 2023*, until a Special Board Meeting could be scheduled at a later date in the evening, with 471 votes in favor (*Supervisors Leggett, Diamond, Braymer, Bruno, Hogan, Magowan, Seeber and Beaty*) and 521 voting in opposition (*Supervisors Conover, McDevitt, Driscoll, Geraci, Dickinson, Merlino, Strough, Wild, Thomas, Runyon and Geraghty*) and 10 absent (*Supervisor Frasier*).

Resuming the Agenda review, the Report by the Chair of the Board was given.

Reports by Committee Chairs were given, during which Presentation of the Employee of the Month Award was made to Adam Baker, *Engineer, Department of Public Works*. Also during the Reports by Committee Chairs, Supervisor Seeber called for point of order, apprising in previous years during the Reports by Committee Chairs if anyone had questions regarding the Report or the Committee they were permitted to ask them and she asked whether it would be permissible for her to pose a question now to Supervisor McDevitt regarding the LDC (*Local Development Corporation*), which he was Chair of, and Chairman Geraghty replied affirmatively.

Report by the County Administrator was given

The County Attorney indicated he had nothing to report on.

Motion was made by Supervisor Leggett and seconded by Supervisor Runyon to enter into executive session pursuant to Section 105(1)(f) of the Public Officer’s Law to discuss the medical, financial, credit and employment history of a particular individual or corporation or matters leading to the appointment, employment, promotion, discipline, suspension, dismissal or removal of a particular person or corporation. Following a brief discussion Supervisors Leggett and Runyon withdrew their motions to enter into in executive session to delay it until the end of the meeting to allow for public comment on resolutions.

Reading of communications by the Clerk of the Board was provided, as follows:

Reports from:

1. Adirondack North Country Association - 2021 Annual Report

Letters/emails from:

1. NYS Parks, Recreation & Historic Preservation - Three Squares Historic District has been listed

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on the NYS Register of Historic Places and nominated to the National Register of Historic Places.

Other:

1. Greene County Board of Supervisors - Resolution No. 382 of 2022, *Objecting to New York State Officials Recent Legislation that Restricts Citizens' Second Amendment Rights.*
2. FitzGerald Morris Baker Firth - Notice of Public Hearing regarding CVE US E17 Quaker LLC project which is to be held on November 21, 2022 at 4:00 p.m. at the Warren County Municipal Center

Reading of resolutions by the Clerk of the Board was announced as follows:

Resolution Nos. 577-599 and 603-671 were distributed to the Board and posted to the Warren County website on Tuesday November 15th, along with Estimate of Sales Tax, Report of Equalization and Apportionment, Mortgage Tax Report and five Proclamations, adding this distribution met the deadline specified in the Rules of the Board. The five Proclamations were:

- Proclamation No. 45 - Home Care & Hospice Month
- Proclamation No. 46 - Alzheimer's Awareness Month
- Proclamation No. 47 - Diabetes Awareness Month
- Proclamation No. 48 - Pancreatic Cancer Awareness Month
- Proclamation No. 49 - Apprenticeship Week

Mrs. Allen indicated there were four Floor Resolutions which were not approved and a motion was needed to bring each to the floor.

Motion was made by Supervisor Magowan, seconded by Supervisor Wild and carried by a majority vote of those present (*Supervisor Frasier absent*), with Supervisor Seeber voting in opposition, to Waive the Standing Rule of the Board relating to the requirement that all Resolutions be distributed to the Board no later than the Tuesday before the Board Meeting in order to entertain a Resolution establishing Capital Project No. H420, Housing Needs and Market Study; authorizing transfer of funds; and amending Warren County Budget for 2022. Mrs. Allen announced proposed Floor Resolution No. 1 would now be referred to as proposed Resolution No. 672.

Motion was made by Supervisor McDevitt, seconded by Supervisor Wild and carried by a unanimous vote of those present (*Supervisor Frasier absent*) to bring proposed Floor Resolution No. 2 to the floor entitled "Establishing Capital Project No. H420, Housing Needs and Market Study; Authorizing Transfer of Funds; and Amending Warren County Budget for 2022". Mrs. Allen stated proposed Floor Resolution No. 2 would now be referred to as proposed Resolution No. 673.

Motion was made by Supervisor Runyon, seconded by Supervisor Strough and carried by a majority vote of those present (*Supervisor Frasier absent*), with Supervisor Seeber voting in opposition, to Waive the Standing Rule of the Board relating to the requirement that all Resolutions be distributed to the Board no later than the Tuesday before the Board Meeting in order to entertain a Resolution awarding request for proposals and authorizing agreement with Novogradac & Company, LLP for Housing Needs Study and Market Demand Analysis (WC 60-22). Mrs. Allen apprised proposed Floor Resolution No. 3 would now be referred to as proposed Resolution No. 674.

Motion was made by Supervisor Wild, seconded by Supervisor Geraci and carried by a unanimous vote of those present (*Supervisor Frasier absent*) to bring proposed Floor Resolution No. 4 to the floor entitled "Accepting Proposal and Authorizing Agreement with Novogradac & Company, LLP for Warren County New York Housing Needs Study and Market Demand Analysis (WC 60-22). Mrs. Allen indicated proposed Floor Resolution No. 4 would now be known as proposed Resolution No. 675.

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Mrs. Allen noted there were 48 roll call votes, of which 32 were resolutions authorized by the ARPA Advisory Committee and she inquired whether anyone had an interest in combining any of the roll call votes. Following a brief discussion it was determined all of the roll call votes would be handled separately. During the discussion Supervisor Seeber called for point of order, apprising she believed the purpose of the discussion related to whether there was any interest on combining roll call votes in any of the resolutions and not discussion on specific resolutions. She added there were several resolutions she would be requesting roll call votes on. Chairman Geraghty ruled in favor of allowing Supervisor Wild to finish his comments regarding the resolutions authorized by the ARPA Advisory Committee pertaining to small businesses. Supervisor Wild proceeded with his comments during which Supervisor Magowan called for point of order, advising he believed an executive session was required, as Supervisor Wild's comments pertained to a specific business. Chairman Geraghty asked Supervisor Wild to conclude his comments which he was agreeable to. Supervisor Wild continued to voice his concerns regarding the lack of vetting on the businesses that were being awarded ARPA funding and what would occur if they were to close or be sold. Supervisor Beaty interjected, calling for point of order, noting the Rules of the Board were not being adhered to. Chairman Geraghty called for Supervisor Wild to hold off on his comments until the appropriate time.

Supervisor Braymer requested a roll call vote on proposed Resolution No. 622, *Authorizing Conveyances of Lands Offered at Public Auction Held on October 15, 2022, Disposing of Certain Lands Acquired by Warren County Pursuant to the Real Property Tax Foreclosure Action.*

Motion was made by Supervisor Braymer, seconded by Supervisor Hogan and carried by a unanimous vote of those present (*Supervisor Frasier absent*) to table proposed Resolution No. 592, *Authorizing ARPA Funds Disbursement to All Brands, LLC; and Amending Warren County Budget for 2022, and send it back to Committee for further discussion.*

Supervisor Diamond requested a roll call vote on proposed Resolution No. 621, *Accepting Proposal and Authorizing Agreement with Labella Associates, D.P.C. for Consultant to Develop a Countywide Comprehensive Plan (WC 37-22).*

Motion was made by Supervisor Beaty and seconded by Supervisor Bruno to table proposed Resolution Nos. 636, *Authorizing Warren County Tourist and Convention Development Agreement with the Lake George Regional Convention and Visitors Bureau, Inc. for Occupancy Tax Special Event Funding*, 637, *Authorizing Warren County Tourist and Convention Development Agreement with the Adirondack Civic Center Coalition, Inc. for Occupancy Tax Special Event Funding*, and 638, *Authorizing Continuation of the Intermunicipal Agreement with the Village of Lake George to Provide Funding for Promotion Space Within the Lake George Visitor Center*, and send them back to Committee for further discussion.

Following a brief discussion Supervisors Beaty and Bruno amended their motions to indicate that there was individual motions to table proposed Resolution Nos. 636, 637 and 638 and send them back to Committee for further discussion. Chairman Geraghty apprised these would be handled through roll call votes.

Chairman Geraghty called the question and the motion to table proposed Resolution No. 636, *Authorizing Warren County Tourist and Convention Development Agreement with the Lake George Regional Convention and Visitors Bureau, Inc. for Occupancy Tax Special Event Funding*, as outlined above and the motion failed to obtain the majority vote required, with 296 voting in favor (*Supervisors Braymer, Bruno, Hogan, Seeber and Beaty*) and 696 opposed (*Supervisors Conover, Leggett, Diamond, McDevitt, Driscoll, Geraci, Dickinson, Merlino, Strough, Wild, Magowan, Thomas, Runyon and Geraghty*) and 10 absent (*Supervisor Frasier*).

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Chairman Geraghty called the question on the motion to table proposed Resolution No. 637, *Authorizing Warren County Tourist and Convention Development Agreement with the Adirondack Civic Center Coalition, Inc. for Occupancy Tax Special Event Funding*, as outlined above and the motion failed to obtain the majority vote required with 28 voting in favor (*Supervisor Bruno*) and 964 opposed (*Supervisors Conover, Leggett, Diamond, McDevitt, Braymer, Driscoll, Geraci, Hogan, Dickinson, Merlino, Strough, Wild, Magowan, Seeber, Beaty, Thomas, Runyon and Geraghty*) and 10 absent (*Supervisor Frasier*).

Chairman Geraghty called the question on the motion to table proposed Resolution No. 638, *Authorizing Continuation of the Intermunicipal Agreement with the Village of Lake George to Provide Funding for Promotion Space Within the Lake George Visitor Center*, as outlined above and the motion failed to obtain the majority vote required with no one voting in favor and 89 abstaining (*Supervisor Beaty*) and 10 absent (*Supervisor Frasier*).

Supervisor Seeber requested roll call votes on proposed Resolution Nos. 636, *Authorizing Warren County Tourist and Convention Development Agreement with the Lake George Regional Convention and Visitors Bureau, Inc. for Occupancy Tax Special Event Funding*, 637, *Authorizing Warren County Tourist and Convention Development Agreement with the Adirondack Civic Center Coalition, Inc. for Occupancy Tax Special Event Funding*, 641, *Authorizing Extension of Agreement with Lake Placid Advertisers Workshop, Inc. to Provide Broadcast and Digital Media Buying Services for the Tourism Department (WC 45-20)*, 644, *Authorizing Agreement with Bartlett, Pontiff, Stewart & Rhodes, P.C. to Provide Legal Services in Connection with Labor Matters and Other Legal Matters Relating to the Former Westmount Health Facility as Assigned by the Warren County Attorney's Office*, 654, *Authorizing Agreement with New York State Industries for the Disabled, Inc. to Provide Mail Fulfillment Services for Warren County*, 667, *Making Appropriations for the Conduct of County Government for the Fiscal Year 2023*, 668, *Adopting Salary and Compensation Plan for 2023*, and 662, *Authorizing the Appropriation of Funds from the Occupancy Tax Reserve to the Tourism Budget; Amending 2022 Warren County Budget*. She added at the appropriate time she would like to discuss a few of these. Mrs. Allen noted proposed Resolution No. 662 was already a roll call vote.

Supervisor Magowan voiced his dismay that the motion to table proposed Resolution No. 666, *Adopting Budget for Fiscal Year 2023*, until a Special Board Meeting was scheduled in the evening to allow the public to attend was unsuccessful.

Supervisor Merlino requested a roll call vote on proposed Resolution No. 635, *Amending Resolution No. 570 of 2021, Authorizing Agreements with Certain Applicants for the Disbursement of 2022 Occupancy Tax Revenues, to Authorize Agreements and Funding to the Warren County Planning and Community Development Department and The World University Games*.

Motion was made by Supervisor Merlino and seconded by Supervisor Runyon to amend proposed Resolution No. 635, *Amending Resolution No. 570 of 2021, Authorizing Agreements with Certain Applicants for the Disbursement of 2022 Occupancy Tax Revenues, to Authorize Agreements and Funding to the Warren County Planning and Community Development Department and The World University Games*, to remove the funding awarded to The World University Games and send it back to Committee. A brief discussion ensued during which Mr. Elmen noted the manner in which Occupancy Tax funds was awarded had always been to amend the original resolution that authorized the disbursement of the current year's occupancy tax to include any events or entities that were awarded funding by the Committee rather than handling them separately. He stated this allowed the Board to review what had been approved and be aware of the total appropriation of occupancy tax for the year. A roll call vote was requested on the motion to amend proposed Resolution No. 635. Chairman

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Geraghty called the question and the motion to amend proposed Resolution No. 635 as outlined above failed to obtain the majority vote with 47 voting in favor (*Supervisor Merlino*) and 945 against (*Supervisors Conover, Leggett, Diamond, McDevitt, Braymer, Bruno, Driscoll, Geraci, Hogan, Dickinson, Strough, Wild, Magowan, Seeber, Beaty, Thomas, Runyon and Geraghty*) and 10 absent (*Supervisor Frasier*).

Discussion and public comment on proposed resolutions was called for.

Wendy Schiavi, *President, Queensbury Community Scholarship Association*, provided an overview of her organization and requested support of proposed Resolution No. 610, *Authorizing ARPA Funds Disbursement to Queensbury Community Scholarship Association, Inc.; and Amending Warren County Budget for 2022*. She noted this would allow them to provide scholarships to graduates of Queensbury High School who were becoming involved in the local vocational and technical education training rather than just those pursuing college degrees.

Ms. Norton voiced her concerns with proposed Resolution No. 666, *Adopting Budget for Fiscal Year 2023*, and the process used to develop and bring the County Budget before the Board for consideration, as well as how the method to apply for and be awarded ARPA funding had been improved to make it more consistent. She apprised to address a concern that had been raised they should include a clause in the contract with the entities who were awarded funding that should they sell or close their business or even go bankrupt they were required to return the ARPA funds they received to the County.

Mike Swan, *County Treasurer*, pointed out although they were not required to approve the County Budget until December 20th, should they hold off until then it would create issues for both the County and towns as a result of the tax bills not being done on time which would cause cash flow issues.

Supervisor Seeber spoke regarding proposed Resolution Nos. 636, *Authorizing Warren County Tourist and Convention Development Agreement with the Lake George Regional Convention and Visitors Bureau, Inc. for Occupancy Tax Special Event Funding*, 641, *Authorizing Extension of Agreement with Lake Placid Advertisers Workshop, Inc. to Provide Broadcast and Digital Media Buying Services for the Tourism Department (WC 45-20)*, and 662, *Authorizing the Appropriation of Funds from the Occupancy Tax Reserve to the Tourism Budget; Amending 2022 Warren County Budget*, and the concerns referenced in the resignation letter of the former Director of Tourism regarding the distribution of occupancy tax funding, indicating she would be abstaining from voting on these resolutions. She voiced the reasons she would be voting in opposition of proposed Resolution Nos. 644, *Authorizing Agreement with Bartlett, Pontiff, Stewart & Rhodes, P.C. to Provide Legal Services in Connection with Labor Matters and Other Legal Matters Relating to the Former Westmount Health Facility as Assigned by the Warren County Attorney's Office*, and 654, *Authorizing Agreement with New York State Industries for the Disabled, Inc. to Provide Mail Fulfillment Services for Warren County*.

Motion was made by Supervisor Seeber and seconded by Beaty to table proposed Resolution No. 666, *Adopting Budget for Fiscal Year 2023*, until a Special Board Meeting on November 23, 2022 at 12:00 p.m. to allow the public to attend. A discussion ensued during which Supervisor Thomas noted each Department presented their 2023 Budget requests to their respective oversight Committees in September. A roll call vote was called for on the motion to table. Chairman Geraghty called the question and the motion to table proposed Resolution No. 666 as outlined above failed to obtain the majority vote, with 471 voting in favor (*Supervisors Leggett, Diamond, Braymer, Bruno, Hogan, Magowan, Seeber and Beaty*) and 521 opposed (*Supervisors Conover, McDevitt, Driscoll, Geraci, Dickinson, Merlino, Strough, Wild, Thomas, Runyon and Geraghty*) and 10 absent (*Supervisor Frasier*).

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Supervisor Braymer rescinded her roll call vote request on proposed Resolution No. 622, *Authorizing Conveyances of Lands Offered at Public Auction Held on October 15, 2022, Disposing of Certain Lands Acquired by Warren County Pursuant to the Real Property Tax Foreclosure Action.*

Motion was made by Supervisor Braymer and seconded by Supervisor Runyon to table proposed Resolution Nos. 594, *Authorizing ARPA Funds Disbursement to All in Glass Studios Too, Inc.; and Amending Warren County Budget for 2022*, and 596, *Authorizing ARPA Funds Disbursement to Brunetto's Restaurant & Lodging, LLC; and Amending Warren County Budget for 2022*, and send them back to Committee for further discussion. A brief discussion ensued following which Chairman Geraghty called the question and the motion to table proposed Resolution Nos. 594 and 596 and send them back to Committee was carried by a unanimous vote of those present (*Supervisor Frasier absent*).

Voting on resolutions occurred; Resolution Nos. 577-599, 603-675 were approved as presented, with the exception of Resolution Nos. 592, 594 and 596 which were tabled. The following resolutions failed:

- Resolution No. 582 Authorizing ARPA Funds Disbursement to Lotus Estate, LLC D/b/a the Bond 1786; and Amending Warren County Budget for 2022;
- Resolution No. 585 Authorizing ARPA Funds Disbursement to Renaissance Dining Group LLC; and Amending Warren County Budget for 2022;
- Resolution No. 586 Authorizing ARPA Funds Disbursement to Alex Metcalfe DbA Alchemy Bagel Cafe; and Amending Warren County Budget for 2022;
- Resolution No. 588 Authorizing ARPA Funds Disbursement to Rooster Amusements LLC; and Amending Warren County Budget for 2022;
- Resolution No. 590 Authorizing ARPA Funds Disbursement to Puckers Gourmet LLC; and Amending Warren County Budget for 2022; and
- Resolution No. 598 Authorizing ARPA Funds Disbursement to Jamie Tedrick-Monroe (My Almond Tree Shop & Wonderland Tie-dye Co.) And Amending Warren County Budget for 2022.

During the roll call votes Supervisor Wild exited the meeting at 1:16 p.m.

Chairwoman Geraghty offered privilege of the floor and the following spoke:

Supervisor Seeber requested that they include discussion regarding the litigation against the County involving Ilana Morgan in the forthcoming executive session. She also spoke regarding her concerns with the voter registration forms used by the Board of Elections for which New York State did not require the date of birth to be redacted and the signature to be partially redacted which she believed was a cyber security issue and protecting the privacy of constituents. She suggested this matter be referred to the Legislative, Rules & Governmental Operations Committee for further discussion.

Supervisors Merlino and Dickinson exited the meeting at 1:22 p.m.

Supervisor Hogan voiced her concerns with the manner in which Supervisors were appointed to Committees which resulted in a lack of transparency. She urged the Board members to be more collegial and respectful to one another.

Supervisor Merlino re-entered the meeting at 1:25 p.m.

Announcements were called for.

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Supervisor Beaty wished everyone a happy Thanksgiving. He stated he concurred with the statements made by Supervisor Hogan, apprising he felt the resignation of a Department Head after only six weeks resonated that there was an issue.

Supervisor Dickinson re-entered the meeting at 1:26 p.m.

Supervisor Merlino noted there were several Supervisors who did not take the time to introduce themselves to the former Director of Tourism.

Supervisor Braymer stated she had introduced herself and welcomed the former Director of Tourism, as well as discussed the World University Games at length with him during which she found him to be engaging. She concluded by indicating she was saddened to hear of his resignation, adding she believed there were issues that needed to be addressed relating to the lack of communication.

Supervisor Seeber requested any additional documentation provided by the former Director of Tourism be distributed to the full Board for review.

Chairman Geraghty announced The Warrensburg, Lake George and North Warren School Districts had combined to form a Varsity Football Team who would be going to the Sectional Games this weekend and he wished them good luck.

Motion was made by Supervisor Runyon and seconded by Supervisor Thomas to enter into executive session pursuant to Section 105(1)(f) of the Public Officers Law.

Supervisor Seeber asked whether the litigation involving Ilana Morgan would be included in the discussion during the executive session and Mr. Elmen replied in the negative. She requested that this matter be included on the agenda for the next Board Meeting.

Chairman Geraghty called the question and the motion to enter into executive session pursuant to Section 105(1)(f) of the Public Officers Law was carried by a unanimous vote of those present (*Supervisor Frasier absent*).

Executive session was held from 1:29 p.m. until 2:43 p.m; Supervisors Conover, Diamond, McDevitt, Hogan, Dickinson, and Strough exited the meeting during the executive session.

Upon reconvening, motion was made by Supervisor Thomas to appoint John Taflan as County Administrator at a salary up to \$130,000.

Mrs. Allen noted a motion was required to waive the Standing Rules of the Board relating to the requirements that all resolutions be approved through the established Committee structure in advance of a Board meeting in order to entertain a resolution appointing John Taflan as County Administrator. The necessary motion was made by Supervisor Bruno, seconded by Supervisor Wild and carried by a unanimous vote of those present (*Supervisors Conover, Diamond, McDevitt, Frasier, Hogan, Dickinson, and Strough absent*).

Motion was made by Supervisor Thomas and seconded by Supervisor Bruno to appoint John Taflan as County Administrator at a salary up to \$130,000.

Supervisor Seeber voiced her concern with hiring a new County Administrator at the same salary as the previous one. Supervisors Thomas and Bruno amended their motions to reduce the salary from up to

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\$130,000 to \$120,000. Chairman Geraghty called the question and the motion to appoint John Taflan as amended was carried by a unanimous vote of those present (*Supervisors Conover, Diamond, McDevitt, Frasier, Hogan, Dickinson, and Strough absent*).

There being no further business to come before the Board of Supervisors, on motion made by Supervisor Beaty, seconded by Supervisor Runyon and carried by a unanimous vote of those present (*Supervisors Conover, Diamond, McDevitt, Frasier, Hogan, Dickinson, and Strough absent*) Chairman Geraghty adjourned the Board Meeting at 2:45 p.m.